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FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

LS 6836 DATE PREPARED: Jan 15, 1999

BILL NUMBER: SB 529 BILL AMENDED:

SUBJECT: Commission on Abused Children and Their Families.

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FUNDS AFFECTED: X GENERAL IMPACT: State

DEDICATED FEDERAL

STATE IMPACT	FY 1999	FY 2000	FY 2001
State Revenues			
State Expenditures		18,500	
Net Increase (Decrease)		(18,500)	

Summary of Legislation: This bill establishes a 19 member Commission on Abused Children and Their Families. The bill provides that the Commission's purpose is to develop and present an implementation plan for a continuum of services to abused and neglected children and their families. It prescribes various responsibilities to the Commission, including: (1) examining the family services provided to abused and neglected children and their families; (2) reviewing certain funding sources allocated for the protective services needs of children and their families; (3) reviewing workload standards concerning child protective services; (4) examining the qualifications and training of public service providers; (5) suggesting policy, program, and legislative changes relating to family services for abused and neglected children; and (6) evaluating whether law enforcement personnel or social service providers should initially handle child abuse and neglect complaints. It requires the Commission to draft a final report. The bill provides for the distribution of the Commission's final report.

Effective Date: Upon passage; July 1, 1999.

Explanation of State Expenditures: This bill creates a 19 member Commission on Abused Children and Their Families. The bill states that the expenses of administering the Commission shall be paid from funds allocated to the Legislative Council. Commission members are entitled to per diem and mileage as determined by the Legislative Council. The Commission shall work under the rules and direction of the

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Legislative Council. Current Legislative Council Resolution 1-1998 provides for a budget of \$18,500 for Committees of 16 members or more. The Legislative Services Agency shall provide staff to the Commission.

Explanation of State Revenues:

Explanation of Local Expenditures:

Explanation of Local Revenues:

State Agencies Affected: Legislative Services Agency.

Local Agencies Affected:

Information Sources:

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